SENATE No. 1095

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Thomas P. Kennedy

To the Honorable Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts in General Court assembled:

The undersigned legislators and/or citizens respectfully petition for the passage of the accompanying bill:

An Act relative to credible service for school nurses.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:
Thomas P. Kennedy	Second Plymouth and Bristol
Christine E. Canavan	10th Plymouth
Brian A. Joyce	Norfolk, Bristol and Plymouth
Cleon H. Turner	1st Barnstable
Richard J. Ross	9th Norfolk
David B. Sullivan	6th Bristol
Jennifer M. Callahan	18th Worcester
Michael Brady	9th Plymouth
Bruce E. Tarr	First Essex and Middlesex
Allen J. McCarthy	7th Plymouth
Theodore C. Speliotis	13th Essex
Paul J. Donato	35th Middlesex
Pam Richardson	6th Middlesex
Kay Khan	11th Middlesex
Robert L. Rice, Jr.	2nd Worcester
Tom Sannicandro	7th Middlesex
Stephen M. Brewer	Worcester, Hampden, Hampshire and Franklin
Gloria L. Fox	7th Suffolk
Anthony D. Galluccio	Middlesex, Suffolk and Essex

James Dwyer	30th Middlesex
Louis L. Kafka	8th Norfolk
Matthew C. Patrick	3rd Barnstable
John P. Fresolo	16th Worcester
Linda Dean Campbell	15th Essex

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In the Year Two Thousand and Nine

AN ACT RELATIVE TO CREDIBLE SERVICE FOR SCHOOL NURSES.

1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority 2 of the same, as follows: 3 SECTION 1. Subdivision (1) of section 4 of chapter 32 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2006 4 Official Edition, is hereby amended by inserting after paragraph (h ½) the following paragraph:— (h ¾) 5 Any school nurse who is a member in service of the teacher's retirement system or a municipal or city of 6 Boston or state retirement system who is employed in a school approved by the department of education 7 may receive creditable service for any period or periods of work experience in the nursing field. No 8 credit shall be allowed until such member has paid into the annuity savings fund of the system before any 9 retirement allowance becomes effective for such member, in one sum, or in installments, upon such terms 10 and conditions as the board may prescribe, makeup payments of an amount equal to 10 percent of the 11 regular annual compensation of the member when said member entered the retirement system for each 12 year of service so purchased, plus buy back interest. No credit shall be allowed and no payment shall be accepted under this paragraph until the member shall have completed ten or more years of membership 13 14 service. The maximum creditable service allowable under this paragraph for any member shall not 15 exceed three years. Members in service of a retirement system eligible for said creditable service under 16 this act shall make application for said creditable service within ninety days of being notified by the 17 retirement board of their eligibility after becoming vested in the retirement system or for currently eligible 18 members, within ninety days of the effective date of this act.